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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Class Deviation to DFARS 207.103; Written Acquisition Plans for Development Acquisitions

Authority to deviate from the dollar threshold requiremnt of DFARS 207.103(c)(i)(A), as set forth below, is hereby granted.

Written acquisition plans will be required for acquisitions for development, as defined in FAR 35.001, when the total cost of all contracts for the acquisition program is estimated at \$30 million or more for all years or \$15 million or more for any fiscal year.

While the threshold for written acquisition plans for acquisition of development is raised, the policy set forth in FAR 7.102 is still applicable. That is, there shall be an integrated planning effort that addresses the Army's needs and insures they are met in an effective, economical and timely manner. The extent, detail and documentation of this planning effort should be commensurate with the size, complexity and importance of the proposed acquisition.

This deviation authority is granted pursuant to Director of Defense Procurement memorandum dated September 30, 1997, Subject: Extension of Test—Waiver Authority. This authority shall remain in effect until March 15, 2000, and is assigned number 98-DEV-3. Records must be maintained regarding the effects of implementing this deviation (e.g., average cycle time reduction, resource savings or other benefits).

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